

NEO DAILY BRIEFING

From Neonatology Today

FEBRUARY 9 - SATURDAY

Day 2 Report and Day 3 Agenda, Saturday, Feb 9

By Alan Spitzer, MD, Senior Vice-President for Research and Education, Pediatrix Medical Group

The second day of the NEO Conference proved to be an outstanding follow-up to the opening day, with Dr. David Burchfield serving as session moderator. The morning session, which focused on the ongoing care of the NICU graduate got off to a great start when Maureen Hack, MD, presented her long experience with NICU Follow-up care. Maureen's results and observations provided insights into the issues that confront the NICU graduate which few other people in the field have.

Dr. Hack was followed by Alan Spitzer, MD, who presented some of the issues in the current understanding of infant apnea and its possible relationship to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). Dr. Spitzer's experience in running the major SIDS programs in the city of Philadelphia provided a unique background for a very complex problem, and how it may be best approached.

Following the break, Dale Phelps, MD, discussed her extraordinary experience with the care of infants with retinopathy of prematurity and how her understanding of this disease has evolved over time. Dr. Phelps' recommendations about early diagnosis and management of

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these infants provided excellent take-home lessons for conference attendees.

The neonate with neurological injury was described by Robert Clancy, MD, whose knowledge of this area is second to none, described the etiology, evaluation, and management of these infants, contrasting their situation to the infant with congenital heart disease who requires circulatory arrest during surgery. Dr. Clancy's unique experience and the breadth of his knowledge provided great insights into the complexities of hypoxic-ischemic injury.

Richard Schanler, MD, one of the foremost experts in the country in

The afternoon breakout sessions were once more very well attended and were a series of great talks by leaders in their fields.

One of the highlights of the day was the "Legends" award ceremony, honoring Marshall Klaus, Avroy Fanaroff, and Jerold Lucey. The evening presentation by Drs. Alan Spitzer and David Burchfield outlined the unique place occupied by each of these legendary neonatologists. It was a great night for everyone.

Today' sessions focus on one of the most important issues in newborn medicine, the child with an infection. It should be another great day at NEO!



neonatal nutrition, discussed optimal nutritional management of the low birth weight infant, especially after NICU hospitalization. His outstanding talk offered many new insights into the best ways to achieve optimal growth during infancy for these babies.





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Today, Saturday, Feb. 9 **Issues in Neonatal** Infectious Diseases

7:00 am - 3:00 pm REGISTRATION

7:00 am – 7:45 am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND **VISIT THE EXHIBITS**

7:00 am - 10:00 pm CYBER CAFÉ

7:45 am - 12:45 pm **GENERAL SESSIONS**

7:45 am - 8:00 am WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

8:00 am - 8:45 am

New Methods for the Diagnosis of Neonatal Sepsis M. Pamela Griffin, MD

8:45 am - 9:30 am New Bugs and New Drugs Thomas Young, MD

> 9:30 am - 10:00 am **BREAK AND VISIT EXHIBITS**

10:00 am – 10:45 am

Evaluation and Management of Early Onset Infection Richard Polin, MD

10:45 am – 11:30 am Hospital Acquired Infection Daniel Benjamin, MD

<mark>11:30 am – 12:15 pm</mark> Update on Diagnosis, Treatment, and Prevention of Fungal Infection in the Neonate David Kaufman, MD

12:15 pm - 12:45 pm PANEL Q&A

12:45 pm - 3:00 pm VISIT THE EXHIBITS

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Tomorrow, Sunday, Feb. 10 **Novel Approaches in Neonatal Surgical Management**

7:00 am - 12:30 pm REGISTRATION

7:00 am - 8:00 am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

7:00 am - 12:30 pm CYBER CAFÉ

8:00 am - 12:30 pm **GENERAL SESSIONS**

8:00 am - 8:45 am **Neonatal Pain Management** David Burchfield, MD

8:45 am - 9:30 am **New Approaches in Neonatal Cardiac Surgery** Redmond Burke, MD

9:30 am - 10:15 am **Bowel Transplantation** in the Neonate Andreas Tzakis, MD

10:15 am - 10:30 am **BREAK**

10:30 am - 11:15 am Minimally Invasive Surgery

in the Neonate Saleem Islam, MD

11:15 am - 12:00 noon

Brachial Plexus Injury and Reconstruction Ann Schwentker, MD

12:00 noon – 12:30 pm PANEL Q&A, FINAL **COMMENTS**

Special Thanks to the Faculty & **Planning Committee Members**

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